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## CITY OF BEACON LAUNCHES FREE ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION AT CITY TRANSFER STATION

Beacon, NY—Mayor Lee Kyriacou today announced that starting Saturday, August 9, 2025, the City of Beacon will launch a new collection and recycling program for electronic waste ("e-waste") at the City's Transfer Station located at 90 Dennings Avenue. Open from 7:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, the Transfer Station will now accept certain e-waste materials at no cost to the public or City taxpayers.

The City of Beacon has partnered with a recycling company, EWASTE+, to offer this free collection program for a wide range of e-waste items, including computers, mobile phones, monitors, printers, laptops, televisions, keyboards, audio equipment, cables, and storage devices. A full list of accepted items is posted on the City's website linked <a href="here">here</a>. The program does not accept household hazardous waste, freon-containing devices, fluorescent bulbs, or other items on the prohibited items list on the flyer.

Electronic waste is one of the fastest growing solid waste streams and is problematic when disposed of with municipal garbage due to the presence of toxic materials and the loss of recyclable/ recoverable metals that would otherwise be incinerated or landfilled. EWASTE+, which will be responsible for recycling the e-waste collected, has earned R2/ RIOS certification (Responsible Recycling Practices and Recycling Industry Operating Standard), which recognizes firms that use best practices for responsible recovery of materials and protection of personal data.

Photo: Transfer Station employee, Bitsy, processing the first batch of e-waste from Mayor Lee Kyriacou at the EWASTE+ receptacles.



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